

MICHIGAN CITIZENS TAKE ACTION!

URGENT!! CONTACT YOUR CONGRESSMAN!

The UN is on the frontlines around the world, protecting our interests even in the face of danger. Peacekeepers, humanitarian workers and diplomats were threatened last month in a deadly assault that shocked the world and showed the courage of these brave men and women. Even though the UN's work is more important than ever, **a new threat to the United Nations has emerged.** Recently Congresswoman Ileana Ros-Lehtinen introduced anti-UN legislation that would cut 50% of funding to the UN and all funding to agencies that perform life-saving work such as UNICEF and the World Food Programme.

In Libya, Sudan, Iraq, and Afghanistan, the U.S. and the UN are tackling serious security and political crises. The UN is also on the ground working to deliver critical humanitarian aid to those affected by natural catastrophes around the world –from the ongoing famine in the Horn of Africa to devastating earthquakes in Haiti and Japan. It is difficult to find a moment in history where the UN has played a greater role in promoting American interests. **Despite the importance of this vital partnership between the U.S. and the UN, the short-sighted legislation introduced in Congress last week would threaten funding to the UN. Such an extreme measure requires urgent action – tell Congress today to oppose H.R. 2829, and let the U.S. continue to lead positive change through the UN. The truth is that this legislation will prove costly in the long-run and its consequences would be harmful to American foreign policy goals.** While it rhetorically states that it hopes to promote greater reform at the United Nations, in fact, the opposite will happen. This bill undercuts major reform efforts already underway by forcing the U.S. to lose our vote at the UN and relinquishing our ability to press for important changes from within. **Now is not the time to undermine U.S. national security and turn our backs on the world.**

Please—join us today in telling Congress to oppose H.R. 2829. Now is the time for the U.S. to lead.

Sincerely, Peter Yeo,
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**WE URGENTLY REQUEST THAT ALL MICHIGAN VOTERS CONTACT THEIR
CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVES AND ASK THEM TO OPPOSE H.R. 2829!**